

**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
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NEWS RELEASE**



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**2012 CHIGNIK DISTRICT
TANNER CRAB SEASON - DELAYED**

The National Weather Service (NWS) 4:00 AM 48-hour marine forecast for Area 155 on January 18 contained a gale warning. Therefore, the Chignik District Tanner crab final registration and season opening will be delayed for 24 hours.

If the 48-hour marine weather forecast in Area 155 issued at 4:00 AM on Thursday, January 19 also contains a small craft advisory, final registration and the fishery opening will again be delayed for 24 hours.

If the 48-hour marine weather forecast for Area 155 issued Thursday, January 19 does not contain a small craft advisory, final registration will begin at 12:00 NOON on January 19 and the fishery will open at 12:00 NOON on January 20.

Any action to further delay or open the fishery will be announced in a subsequent ADF&G news release by 9:00 AM on Thursday, January 19.

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